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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed, along with a copy of the foreign search report in which these documents were cited.

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It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of the attached PTO-1449 form be returned to the undersigned.

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